

Kingston July 29, 1837.

Mrs Chapman.

I felt a little mortified on my return home, to find in my Memorandum, the list of names I had procured for you. I had that Memo. in my West-pocket while at your house: but as I have since obtained (what was very desirable) the names of two more individuals, one in East & one in West Bridgewater, and should have written you in any case, I do not care so much for the treachery of my memo-
ry.

The following is the list, with the addition of E & W Bridg.

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Pembroke, Mrs Martin Bryant & Miss Eliza Collamore.

Hanson, Mrs Melzar Sprague.

Scituate, Misses Almira & Clarissa Cushing. I send
these in addition to Mr May's list,
(perhaps they will not be needed.)

West Bridgewater, Mrs Leba Richards.

East S. Miss Mary C Whitman. Miss W is not a

"through-going" Abolitionist. I had some conversation with her last evening at my house — she says it is doubtful whether many signatures could be obtained to petitions even for, or rather I should have said, to resolutions against the Annexation of Texas. The people in East Bridgewater, she remarked, were unwilling to have any subject come up at the September Session, which would prevent the entire attention of Congress to the subject of the "business pressure". I told her we could trust the petitions with our Representative, W Adams, who would use his judgement as to the proper time for presenting them, so as not to interfere with the business for which Congress was specially convened. I regretted that I had not one of your circulars containing the petitions &c — I should have given her one & saved you the trouble of writing.

With respect.

Geo. Russell.

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Washington July 27, 1857

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. It is the duty of the Executive to see that all such communications are duly transmitted to the Senate, and it is the duty of the Senate to advise the President by message on the result of their deliberations. I have no doubt that the Senate will give the proposed amendment the most careful and impartial consideration, and that they will render a decision which will be satisfactory to all parties. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 James Buchanan

James Buchanan
 Secy of State

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(care of H. G. Chapman Esq.)

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